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Regents approve fine arts building

By RICHARD L. CUMMINGS
Senior Reporter

LINCOLN — Regent Robert Koefoot gave UNO officials a scare Saturday when he voted against a proposed \$13.3 million Fine Arts Education Building for UNO. Koefoot later reversed his vote.

Koefoot was the deciding factor in a 5-3 vote for the building.

Dave Irvin, manager of Physical Plant-Facilities Planning and Space Management, did not expect the drama to unfold as it did.

"It was quite a shock," he said. Irvin said Koefoot's initial vote against the program caused fine arts Dean David Shrader and himself a few anxious moments. Koefoot interrupted board Chairman James Moylan at the end of the roll call vote to reverse his decision.

Koefoot, who was defeated in a Nov. 8 election, voted in what may be his final regents meeting. He will be replaced in January by Robert Allen of Hastings.

"I didn't realize he was kidding. He really came through for us," UNO Chancellor Del Weber said.

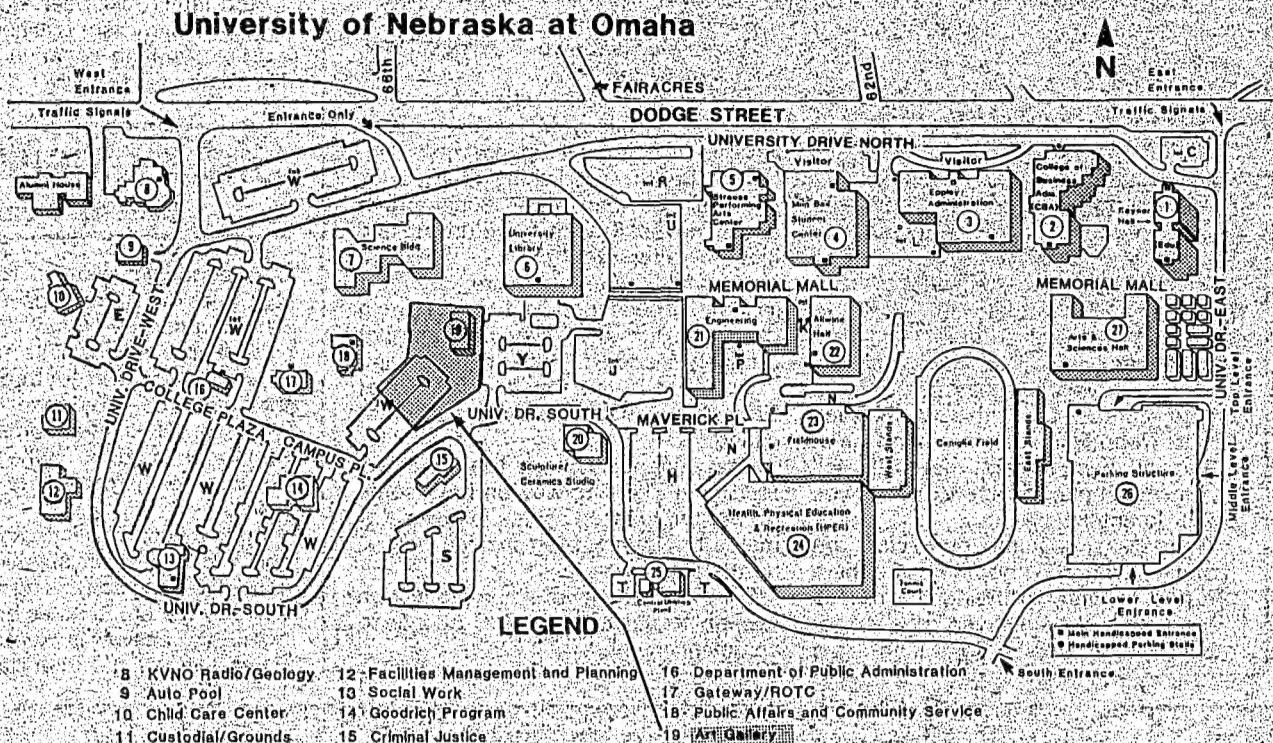
With Koefoot's vote, regents approved the program

'This is a different animal than we started out with.'

—Regent Nancy Hoch

statement for the building, which must now await funding from the Legislature. If funds are approved during the next legislative session, the building, which would house the art department, art gallery, a writers workshop and a 400-seat theater, could be completed by April 1992. Undeveloped space would also be available for University Television and KVNO radio.

Regents who voted against the project said they were concerned about the building's price tag. A needs



The shaded area will be the site of the Fine Arts Building. The current Art Gallery will be housed in the structure.

statement approved by the board in May 1988 quoted a cost of \$9.95 million for the building.

UNO officials said the \$3.36 million increase was necessary to allow for inflation and allow more efficient use of campus space.

'This is a different animal than we started out with.'

Regent Nancy Hoch said: "You have added things that were not part of this initial project."

Neil Morgensen, director of Facilities Management and Planning, said the project has been pared back, but

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Student members called tokens

Kerrigan idea takes heat at regents meeting

By RICHARD L. CUMMINGS
Senior Reporter

LINCOLN — Joe Kerrigan, UNO student president/regent, attended his last regents' meeting Saturday, he will be replaced by president/regent-elect Paula Effie by the time the regents meet again in January.

Kerrigan's last hurrah as student regent was to introduce with UNL student regent Jeff Petersen a proposal to give student regents a non-counting vote on roll call votes of issues before the board. The vote would be made and recorded in the record of the board but would not count toward

the success or failure of any board motions.

Previously, some of the regents had argued that a vote for student regents was in opposition to the constitution of the Board of Regents as laid out by the Legislature. Kerrigan said since the vote would not count, constitutionality is not an issue.

Kerrigan and Petersen said the vote would allow the students to know where their representatives to the regents stood on the issues before the board.

"The student regents have ample opportunity to express their position," said Regent Jim Payne. He said the student regents were only the top of their respective student governments and allowing them a

vote would be granting them a privilege they are not entitled to.

Petersen said the vote would allow the student regents to show their position without having to enter into debate on some issues and slowing down the regents' meeting process.

"The vote lets students know whether they agree or not with the student regents," said Matt Hotovy, UNMC student regent.

"Why is this the first time in 12 months we've heard from all three student regents on one issue?" said Regent Kermit Hansen. "You are our insight (to the day-to-day needs of the students), but we've heard zilch."

Hansen said that for a student regent to become effective in a year is impossible. For a student regent to be completely aware of all aspects of board business would require more time than they are able to devote to it, he said. If the student regents want to have to do more work and make a knowledgeable vote, then they are not doing their job correctly now.

Hansen said he thinks it a good idea to let the student regents have a non-counting vote, but for them to vote on items unknown to them would be detrimental.

Petersen said the student regents currently are token representatives. He said this proposal would increase the participation of the students in the process.

Campus Security still investigating

President/regent election results will stand

By ROB HELLING
Senior Reporter

Student president/regent runner-up Tim Kerrigan's request to have the run-off election he lost to Paula Effie invalidated has been denied according to Terry Forman, manager of Student Activities.

Kerrigan had requested Forman remove his signature authorizing the final results of the election because of faulty polling procedures by the Student Government Election Commission.

Kerrigan's complaint was based on poll workers not using a computer printout to verify the names of students who voted in the run-off election.

In a Nov. 18 Gateway article, Kerrigan was quoted as saying: "By not using a computer printout there is no way to verify the number of ballots cast."

"The constitution specifies that the number of ballots

must come within six percent of the total names crossed off the computer printout," Kerrigan said. "Since the number of ballots cannot be verified, I am protesting the election."

Ninety-eight bogus ballots with votes for Paula Effie were discovered by election officials as the returns were

Campus Security will not comment on its ongoing investigation of the election.

being tallied. Effie won the election 279 to 224 over Kerrigan.

Campus Security is investigating the stuffing of the election ballot box and will not comment until the investigation is completed.

Vice Chancellor of Educational and Student Services

Richard Hoover is expected to receive a formal report of the findings some time this week, according to Charles Swank, manager of Campus Security.

Forman said he believed the run-off election was fair and the only way he would invalidate it is if Campus Security comes up with some kind of absolute proof of any further wrong doings.

In a related story, ex-president/regent candidate Max Peacock was quoted in a Nov. 18 Gateway article as saying he knew who stuffed the ballot box but was not talking.

"I know who was involved, he and I talked about it before," Peacock said. "I told him it's up to him to admit it if he wants to, but I'm not revealing any names."

Peacock has now decided he does not know who did it. Contacted at his home Sunday night, Peacock said, "I talked to the person I thought was responsible, and he said he didn't do it."

COMMENT

More power to those who laugh

Talk about an eye opener.

Fifty percent of all people who come to UNO as freshmen don't stick around for a second year. Sixty percent of any given fall freshman class never graduate from UNO. Some transfer elsewhere, others drop out all together.

These statistics come from a 1985 report by the UNO Office of Institutional Research on freshmen attrition — and they basically say one thing: UNO is an easy school to leave.

I used to believe this unendearing quality was the fault of UNO itself and

revelation that people get bored and leave.

But that's what UNO is all about. It's a school for the self-starter. You will excel at UNO proportionate to the effort you put forth. And you can have fun, if you choose.

A lot of people don't realize this, especially those who have transferred to another school. Most of them are whiners who have never had to work for anything in their life.

"Oh geez, I just couldn't stand UNO. It was such a bore!"

UNO is a collection of buildings. Now, who's really the bore?

If you read last Tuesday's Gateway, you'll recall Stacey Meisenbach's column on a group of students in the Nebraska Room entertaining themselves with self-provided music and modern dance moves. Stacey was studying and didn't care for it too much — that's understandable. I rather admire the whole incident. Those people were creating their own fun in an environment that probably needed it. More power to 'em.

If you can have a few laughs while at UNO, then you'll probably end up graduating.

Next semester, I hope to read a few articles in The Gateway on how some prankster hoisted ladies' panties (or men's briefs) in K-Mart fashion colors up the bell tower.

Such an incident would be motivation enough to get at least 200 people to commencement.

Dan Swiatek

I almost left. I was bored. UNO wasn't a real college, I figured. I wanted the traditional collegiate setting you see in the movies. I wanted unprovoked good times to automatically happen.

But they didn't, and I'm probably a better person because of it.

If nothing else, UNO taught me the principle of self-sufficiency. You have to create your own fun at this school, seek it out. Nobody holds your hand here. Either you make the first move yourself and meet people, join a few clubs or you don't do anything at all.

Go to class, go home, go to class, go home — whoop whoop. I'm sure there are people who, following the routine just mentioned, never even speak to another soul on campus. So, it's not a big

Writer plans to recuperate for hell

Sunday's snow was a pleasant reminder that this semester's madness will soon be over. Then we'll all have a couple of weeks off to recuperate before we come back for another four months of hell. Something to look forward to.

Next semester will be different for me at least because I'll be student teaching and will only be here on campus Wednesday nights. So I think that's sort of exciting — the part about student teaching, not necessarily coming here one night a week.

And lately I've been questioning what kind of a journalism teacher I'll be with my only real writing experiences confined to The Gateway and UNO Today. It's really

facts for both sides before you write. After all, it is more fun to slam the hierarchy than to get their side of something, even if it does make for less exciting reading.

The necessity of positive thinking is something I will carry forward to my dying day. A kind word, a pat on the back, some friendly advice are keys to improvement. Students of all ages need that sort of thing, something resembling the "puppy syndrome." Pat them on the back once and they always come back for more. Or even when you do have to criticize them it will be taken easier and more to the heart. It's getting too mushy now.

Teaching "time management" skills. Wait till the last minute to do a story and you'll get a phone slammed in your ear. Hold off on the research and it will always be that one vital piece of information that won't be in till a day past deadline. Of course I'll never learn "time management skills" — I'm a full-fledged procrastinator. Guess I'll just have to fake the lecture.

When you write you're never going to make everybody happy, and why should you? The purpose is to raise questions, address issues and, yes, sometimes write things that are sincerely trivial. We all have our less gratifying days.

Signing off for my last column I'm reminded of Mike Royko's words of wisdom or something close: "You can make all of the people angry some of the time, or some of the people angry all of the time, but you can never make all of the people angry all of the time. But I'm never going to stop trying." Happy Holidays.

Stacey Meisenbach
Gateway Columnist

been bugging me lately when I think I could turn into the stereotype of the teachers who bug me the most.

It's a problem business majors can relate to; instructors who get thrown into classes they're not prepared to teach, or just don't want to. Then it becomes a matter of "textbook lectures," where the only purpose in going to class is for attendance points.

So I've been pondering if I know enough about journalism or anything else for that matter to bring something new and worthwhile to the students I'll be teaching.

And the answer is, sure I have.

I've learned the importance of getting

MAILBAG

To the editor:

Pi Gamma Mu appreciates the item that appeared in "News Briefs" in The Gateway Dec. 2, 1988, regarding our awarding Professor Kent Kirwan the Golden Goose award. The piece noted that the award is granted "to deserving faculty for excellence in teaching and advising."

Dr. Kirwan was given the award for excellence in those qualities, but a clarification is in order concerning the Golden Goose. The motto of Nebraska Epsilon is "Excellence Our Goal, Excellence Our Reward."

The Golden Goose award and traveling trophy was initiated (Dr. Kirwan is the first recipient) to recognize excellence, but is not limited to faculty members who excel in teaching and advising. Our intention is to recognize excellence throughout the university community, and the Golden Goose will be granted to students, staff, and faculty whose achievements demonstrate realization of our motto.

Orville D. Menard
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To the editor:

I would like to suggest to Stacey Meisenbach, Gateway columnist, that the walk to the Library might be the best solution for her. Stacey complained in the Dec. 6 issue about people disturbing her studying in the Nebraska room by playing music, dancing and being loud.

Meisenbach wrote that she only had an hour between classes, not enough time to walk to the Library where it is quiet.

It takes five minutes to walk from the Student Center to the Library. It takes another two minutes to unload the backpack and begin studying. Add another seven minutes to reverse the process when you leave.

That leaves 46 minutes to study quietly instead of spending a whole hour getting her blood pressure worked up because people around her want to have fun.

Maybe Stacey wants the campus to have the atmosphere of a monastery, with bowed heads and silent whispers.

Tim O'Connor
Fun-Loving student

To the editor:

I was so sorry to read in your Tuesday issue "Special Holiday Section" your quote from Ernest Hemingway "Ask not for whom."

It's a sad thought that the thick-headed Ernest Hemingway would be given credit for what was the dramatic conclusion to a powerful writing by John Donne. Donne was a 16th-century poet who was hearing the death bells in England when he composed it.

Because this is a college newspaper, I'd be surprised if the English department didn't explode.

Bill Malone
UNO Student



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Sanchez leaves Metropolitan

By RICHARD L. CUMMINGS
Senior Reporter

Lynn Sanchez has reluctantly left her position as entertainment editor with the Metropolitan. Sanchez, a UNO alumna, left when Metropolitan editor John Boyd ended his association with the paper.

Sanchez worked for The Gateway from 1983 to 1986 as a columnist and editor before starting with the Metropolitan. Sanchez and Boyd, the only full-time editorial personnel at the paper, quit over what Boyd said he sees as compromises in the paper's editorial integrity.

He said publisher John Lee's ideas infringed on the direction and philosophy of the paper.

Inefficient operation of internal management and not paying employees and free-

lance writers on a timely schedule were other reasons for Boyd and Sanchez quitting, Boyd said.

"I'm owed a considerable amount of money myself," he said.

Sanchez said a conflict between printing what the editors felt the readers wanted to read and what management felt would please the advertisers were also factors. Lee could not be reached for comment.

"I thought it was successful (as a paper), internally it was a problem," she said. Sanchez said the paper's potential was never fully realized because of financial limitations. She said she did not want to leave the Metropolitan.

"John (Boyd) and I used to joke about

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Roskens denies Bush rumor

By JOHN ROOD
Editor

LINCOLN — NU President Ronald Roskens Saturday denied reports he may leave the university to accept a post in the Bush administration.

In a Dec. 9 Omaha World-Herald article, former Nebraska Gov. Charles Thone was quoted as saying Roskens' name was among eight other Nebraskans under consideration for a job under Bush.

"That newspaper story this morning was totally surprising to me," Roskens said. "I haven't the slightest idea what that means."

Thone, according to the article, declined to suggest a particular post, but did say the position was not directly related to education.

Roskens also denied speculation he may be the president-elect's choice for ambassador to China.

Roskens and other leaders of research universities met with Bush early last week in Washington, D.C.; however, Roskens

said the China possibility was not discussed.

"That's an old rumor. That's probably four years old and has absolutely no foundation whatsoever," he said.

Roskens said he doesn't know who started the rumors. "If I did, I'd be making inquiries."

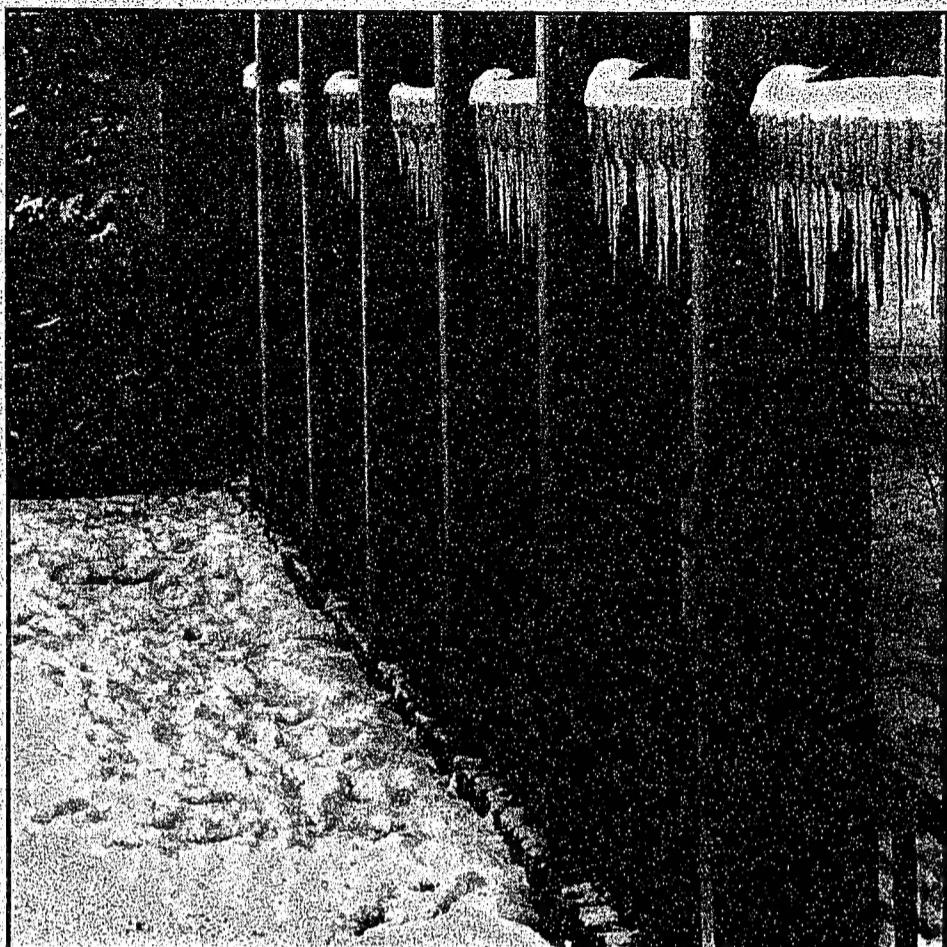
Even if a post is offered, Roskens doesn't know if he will accept.

"I don't want to speculate on that. In terms of a specific, I don't what to talk about 'yes, I want to work in the Bush administration.' That (position) could be anything from bureaucrat... to something else."

Roskens did leave the door open for an appointment. "I am very positive in my views of what Mr. Bush is talking about with respect to education."

During the meeting with Bush, Roskens said university leaders discussed many of the major issues affecting education.

Among the concerns were: openness and accessibility of higher education to all people, particularly minorities; development of



— Dave Weaver

Baby, it's cold outside

Winter blasted through campus again this past weekend. One of the nicer results were the icicles on the Strauss Performing Arts Center.

the sciences; federal research grants; avoiding "wasted (uneducated) human capital;" the importance of international educational exchange programs; and improved kindergarten through 12th grade education.

Roskens described Bush as "a good listener" and credited the president-elect for seeking advice on education as he prepares his administration. Roskens said he

was also impressed that Bush involved all members of his transition team in the talks, including the vice president's future chief of staff, John Sununu.

Still, the NU president said any talk of a Bush appointment is "pure speculation."

"To me, it's a great honor that someone has mentioned me as a possibility — that's as far as I can go with it," he said.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Choir to join CBS Christmas Cavalcade

By KIM HANLEY
Staff Reporter

UNO Chamber Choir revels in the opportunity to share Christmas with the country after participating in CBS Radio Network's 'Cavalcade of Christmas Music' to be aired on KKAR Radio beginning this week.

CBS Radio Network has celebrated Christmas in this fashion since its inception in 1927, selecting eight university choirs to join in the tradition of performing Christmas classics for broadcast.

Mindy Bellini, of Media Relations at CBS Radio Division, said the universities are chosen according to area and outstanding choral achievement.

"It's an opportunity to spend the holidays with people and alumni across the country," Bellini said.

The UNO Chamber Choir presented a 24-minute pre-recorded collection of classics that include "Come Dear Children," "A Cradle Hymn" and "It Came Upon A Midnight Clear."

"The choir feels very privileged to be a part of this program," Frances M. Crisara, director of choral activities and conductor for the Chamber Choir, said.

She said the choir had rehearsal time in the recital hall at Strauss Performing Arts Center and then actually recorded the session on tape for CBS. Frank Bramhall, manager of the university's KVNO Radio, acted as audio

engineer and announcer and Jim Payne, KVNO's operational coordinator, edited the project.

The "Cavalcade" begins Dec. 12 on KKAR Radio's

schedule: UNO's piece is to be aired Dec. 19th at 9:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. The program will be aired on 420 radio stations across the country.

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still addresses most of the needs of the fine arts department.

Eliminated from the original proposal is a proscenium theater, a large theater for dramatic arts. Student Regent Joe Kerrigan said he wished the theater could have been a part of the revised proposal.

"The chance of getting that back are slim and none," he said.

The proposed building will be located southwest of the Library on the site currently occupied by Annex 22, which now holds the fine art dean's office and the art gallery.

Morgensen said the new building would not only benefit fine arts but other campus departments as well.

"Engineering is facing accreditation problems because of a lack of space," he said. With the move of university radio and television from the Engineering

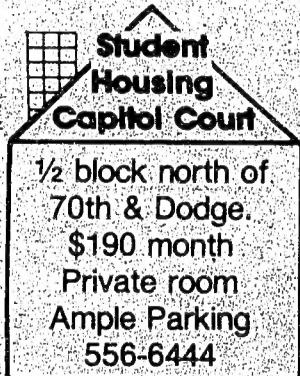
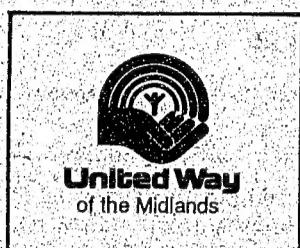
Building, additional engineering space would be available, he said.

Arts and Sciences Hall would gain needed space as fine arts faculty move into the new building. This would allow the English department to move from CBA to Arts and Sciences Hall, thus helping the business college attain space it needs.

The next step is "to take it to the Legislature," Irvin said. State Sen. Vard Johnson's retirement should not be a problem, he added.

In April, Johnson spearheaded an override of Gov. Kay Orr's veto of \$160,000 planning money for the project.

Irvin said sufficient support should exist within the Legislature to gain approval. Irvin said he expects Sharon Beck, Johnson's replacement, to support the project.



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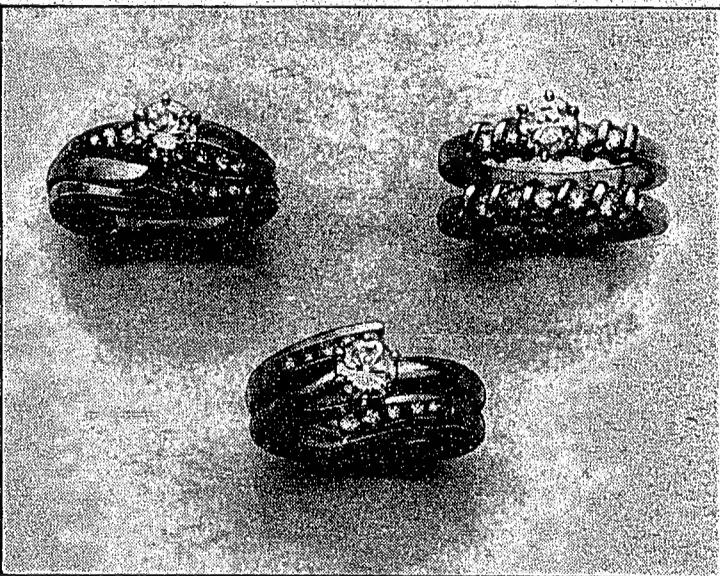
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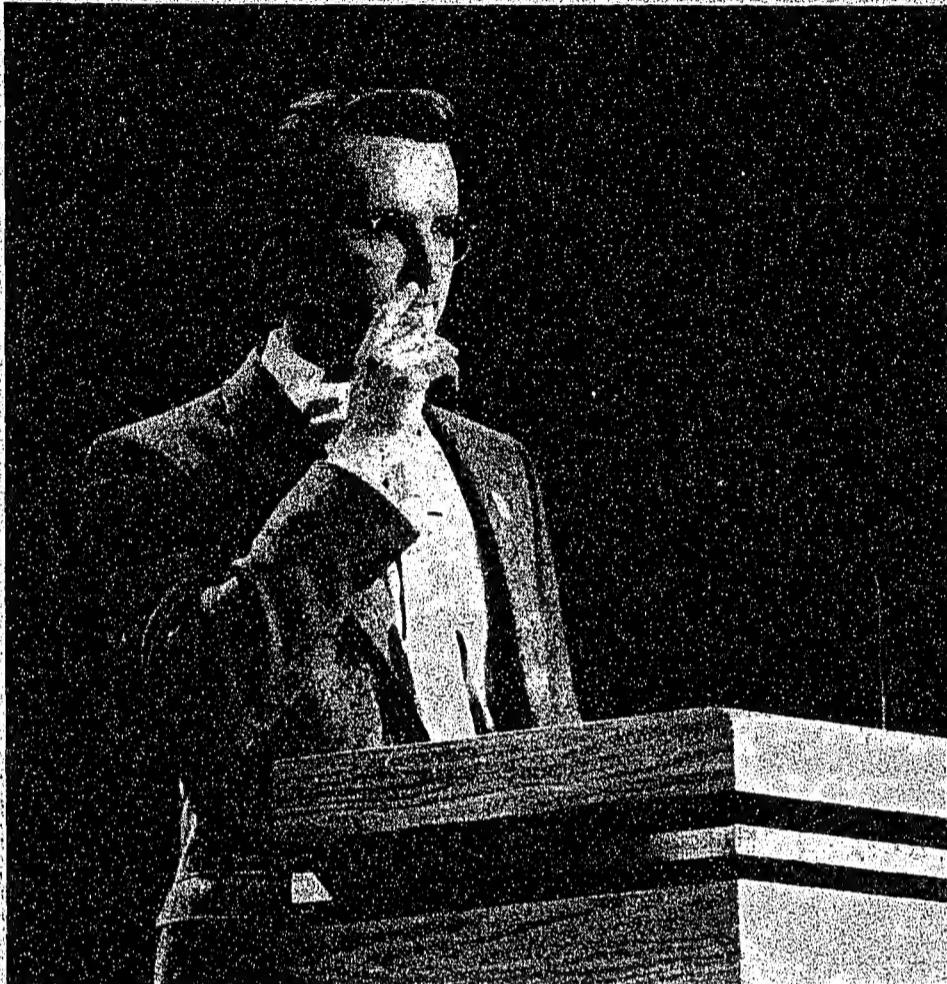
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Digging for facts (or whatever)

Tim Aloneagain, former student senator, shows us all why he could not have stuffed any ballot boxes in the past student/reject elections. His hands are always busy, busy, busy.

Brave Beaver

Campus condom controversy continues to cause headaches

By DICK CUMMING
Senior Distorter

Peter Swamp, director of UNO radio station JSNO (Just Say NO), recently had to be restrained by Kampus Kops when he physically and verbally attacked two students he saw smooching.

"Students aren't here to learn about life, they're here to get an education," Swamp screamed as they hauled him off.

Cris Martyr, manager of WGNM (We Got No Morals), the on-campus radio station, said Swamp, resident despot of the student station, had become upset during their discussion of a Latex Goose condom

promotion and ran screaming from the room.

"I don't know what made him flip. Latex Goose simply wanted to make a huge condom to put on the Really, Really Rich People's Memorial Belltower to demonstrate how well their product works," Martyr said. "Hell, if we can pull this off, imagine the social mayhem we can cause."

"Someone told me the other day that WGNM is playing rock and roll," Swamp said. "No wonder they keep getting approached by such low-life advertisers."

Before being sedated, Swamp sighted another amorous couple holding hands and doused their pants with a fire extinguisher.

Elections never really took place

By SLOB HELLSENT
Getaway Upstart

The Student Government elections have been declared invalid and the entire senate has been magically changed into muppets, according to Hairy Doorman, manager of Student Festivities.

The elections were declared invalid when officials discovered the ballot box had been stuffed. Election Commissioner Paul Daze said he became suspicious when he discovered 45 percent of the student body had cast votes.

"I'm sorry, but I find it to hard to believe that 6,750 students wasted their time and turned out to vote for Student Government," Daze said.

"The usual turnout is only two to three percent, which translates to friends and family of the candidates," he said. "Somebody obviously stuffed the ballot box."

Meanwhile, bewildered Student Senate members came to school this morning and found out they were magically transformed into Jim Henson's muppets.

"It really sucks," said Recording Secretary Earracha BonBon, who now resembles Grover. "I came into the office this morning to do minutes then I got this strange urge to *skate on Holiday on Ice*. Now look at me, at least I'm not Kermit."

Election victor Paulina Elflike is protesting the election because of faulty polling procedures by the Student Government Election Commission. Elflike was spared transformation because of seniority and grade point average.

Election runner-up Tim Runagain, who now resembles Oscar the Grouch, is not going to contest. Instead, he said he has offers from The Children's Television Workshop and a possible role in the next Eddie Murphy movie.

Doorman said new elections were not likely, mostly because candidate members couldn't stop singing "C is for Cookie."

"The university administration is in favor of appointing a new senate and recommended Bert and Ernie as co-president/rejects," Doorman said.

"Bert and Ernie are so much more mature and will accomplish a great deal for the students of UNO, like teach them their ABC's and how to bake cakes," he said.

While rumors as to who is responsible continue to circulate, defeated student/president/reject candidate Max Dodo knows what happened.

"I know (former candidate Tim) Aloneagain did it," Dodo said. "He has magical powers above and beyond anyone I know. I always knew he could magically stuff a ballot box and turn people into Muppets. It was just a matter of time."

Weebles dead for 7 years; no big deal, no changes

By STIV CRASS &
TIM KALDAMN
Head FUNI & GOSSIP Guy and Aryan

Dull Weebles is dead.

Students should not worry though, he's been gone for the past seven years, according to Vice Chancellor Dick Scroover. Instead two ad agency representatives, Sol and Snookie Liebowitz, from Palm Beach, have been guiding the university via remote control.

"Haven't these past years been fine?" Scroover said. "Dull would have wanted it this way. Nobody knew except for me and Dave, the guy in the Nebraska Room. Haven't these past years been lovely?"

The end of the coverup came at the recent Board of Regents meeting in Lincoln when Weebles's stuffed, stiff body tipped over on Regent Nanny Hack.

"At first I rather liked it, but when he didn't move, I realized something was definitely wrong," Hack said. Things unraveled after that.

A Getaway investigation revealed all of the administration of UNO are out of work commercial actors hired by the Liebowitz brothers. Despite this stunning news, no action was taken to dismiss the bogus staffers.

"It's regrettable that they haven't tried out for any of our productions," said Doug Patterov, chair of the Over-Acting department. "They had me fooled. I know for a fact we could have used those suckers in *Tartuffe*."

Scroover said Weebles died quietly on his

living room couch in 1981. The quiet lifestyle at UNO put him to sleep, eternal sleep.

"Kind of ironic, isn't it?" Scroover philosophized. "He died in his living room. I still get a kick out of that."

No major changes will happen, except Weebles's name will be taken off his name plate, mail box and campus directory. The university will be run by the Liebowitzes via satellite uplink.

Ronald McRawskins, president of the university, said the whole thing is just a hoot and a half in his office. Life is fun, fun, fun because of this in his secretarial pool.

"The girls just laugh and laugh," he said. "Dull should die more often. He made my day."

The Liebowitz brothers were unavailable for comment. Their office said they were doing the lunch thing with Sammy D. up at Tahoe.

Weebles's will was read in the Student Center last Wednesday. He left a commemorative set of Play-Dough to the Student Senate and his bronzed boxer shorts as a memorial.

"If we stack his shorts end over end next to the campanile we could have twin towers," Scroover said. "I get warm all over at the thought of it. BVD's all the way up to God."

UNO without Dull Weebles will be just like UNO with Dull Weebles, Scroover said. Weebles's body will be used as a prop to keep doors in the Awful Administration Building open during the spring, he said. "Dull, Dull, Dull," we hardly knew ya.



This is what happens when you are hungry for power, as the Student Senate found out yesterday. An unknown magical force turned them into Muppets "probably because of their sins" student president/reject Paulina Elflike said gleefully.

Reagan takes nation's future into own hands, er, feet

WASHINGTON, D.C. — All of Washington, D.C. was both shocked and surprised today when Ronald Reagan burst into a meeting of top Bush advisors and announced that he would not abdicate the presidency.

A startled George Bush watched as Reagan, dressed in karate garb, babbled about his movie days then leveled chief-of-staff-to-be John Sonono with a round house kick to the double chin.

Reagan then turned to a cowering Bush and screamed: "You couldn't even have defeated Jimmy Carter!" The aging president then began to berate Bush's selection of Dan Quayle as vice president.

"Leave me alone, Dutch! It's the first decision I've made in 8 years!" Bush cringed as he jumped behind Nebraska Gov. Kay Orr.

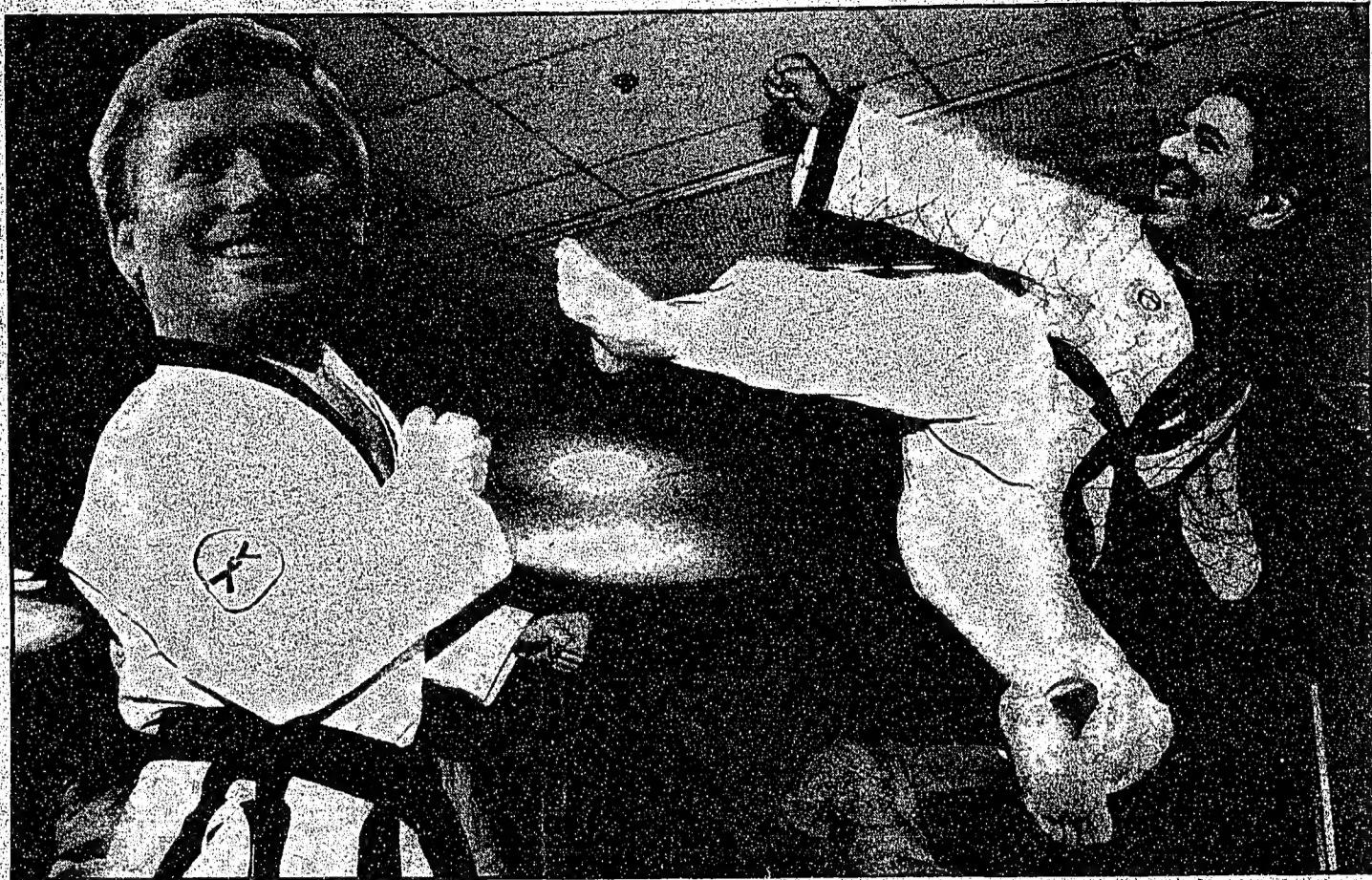
"Leave Kay alone or I'll take Nancy's recipe out of the cook book," husband Bill Orr screamed.

Frozen in fear, Reagan stopped his attack for a moment, but then resumed when Quayle awoke from a nap he had been taking during the meeting.

"Dammit George, how could you choose this imbecile," Reagan asked. "He'll go down in history as the first vice president ever to spend the last few days before the election speaking to Illinois high school students!"

"You leave George and me alone, or I'll tell my daddy!" Quayle shouted.

"Kick the old man's butt, Dan," Bush exclaimed as the future vice president donned karate garb and lunged for Reagan. The pair traded blows until Nancy Reagan walked in with members of the White



House Press Corps.

"Smile for the cameras, Dan," the first lady yelled. Not to miss an opening, the gipper then leveled a posed and smiling Dan Quayle.

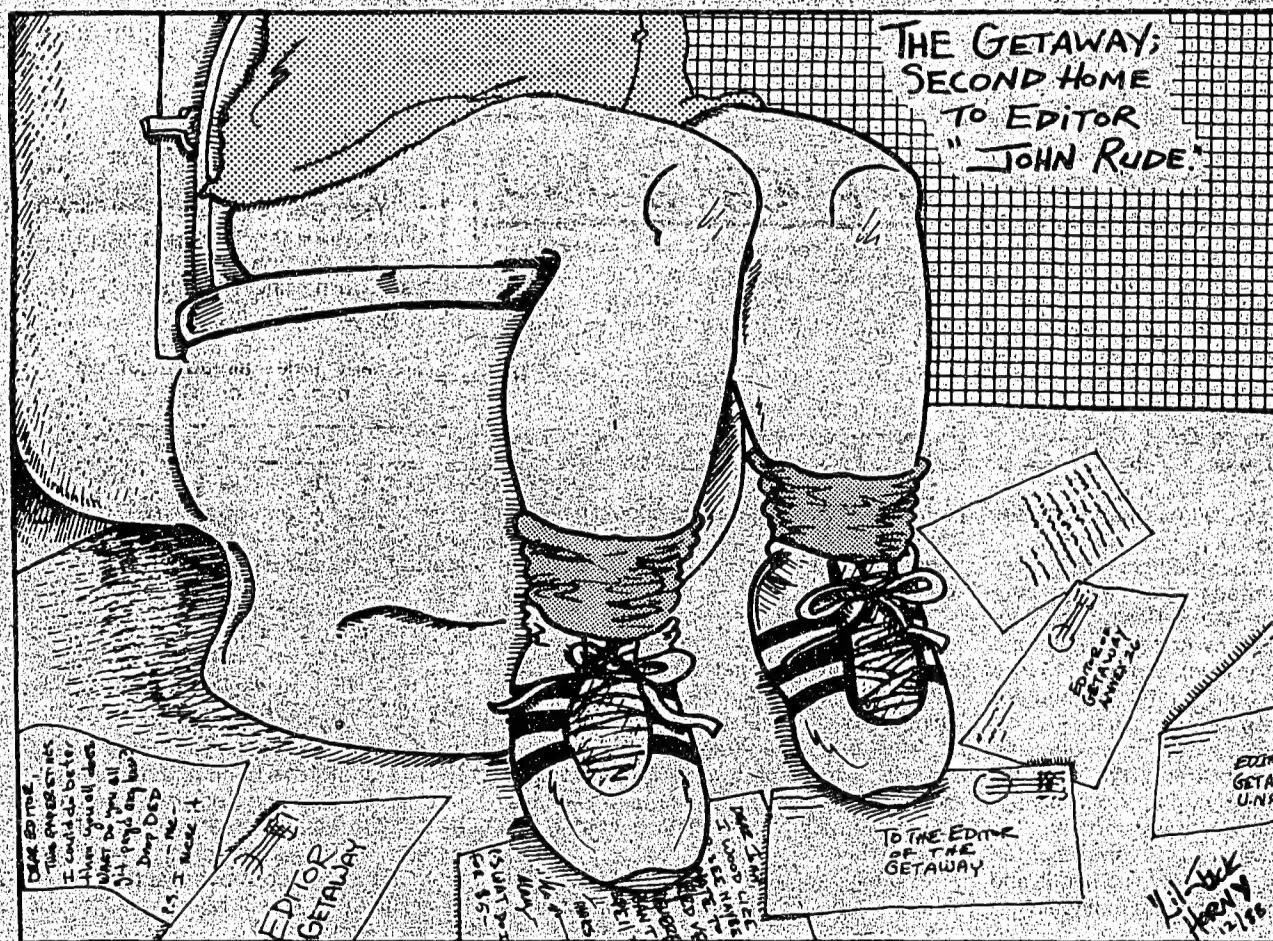
Aides whisked the still-babbling Reagan from the room as Nancy turned to answer questions from startled reporters.

"How'd you know Quayle would turn and look at the camera?" ABC reporter

Spam Donaldson asked.

"It was easy," the first lady replied. "When it comes down to it, he's a lot like Dutch . . . just another pretty face."

— Disassociated Press



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LINCOLN — NU President Ronald McRawskins announced today he has decided not to accept a post in the Bush administration, and instead will become a travelling campus preacher.

"It was a tough decision," McRawskins said as he switched the 12-foot cross he was carrying to his left hand.

"I had almost decided to accept a position," McRawskins said. "After all, I like some of the ideas George has about funding research at Division I football programs, er, I mean, universities."

"But then I looked at the Reagan-Bush record on higher education, particularly with respect to financial aid," he said.

"After weighing all the possibilities, it just seemed like giving up my \$100,000-a-year job and carrying a 12-foot cross around would have been easier than trying to have a clean conscious and work for George Bush."

"Talk about a hard cross to bear," the NU president laughed.

FUN! & GOSSIP

REFAB building will boast bar, dancefloor

By STIV CRASS
Head FUN! & GOSSIP Guy

LINCOLN, CITY OF LOGS — The Board of Regents approved the \$1.3 billion Really Expensive Fine Arts Building (REFAB) provided the University System make some changes in the structure.

"The Really Fine Arts are really, really boring," said UNO President/Reject Joe Runagain. "It's all a bunch of really obscure paintings and music that's really boring and that nobody gives a hoot about anyhow."

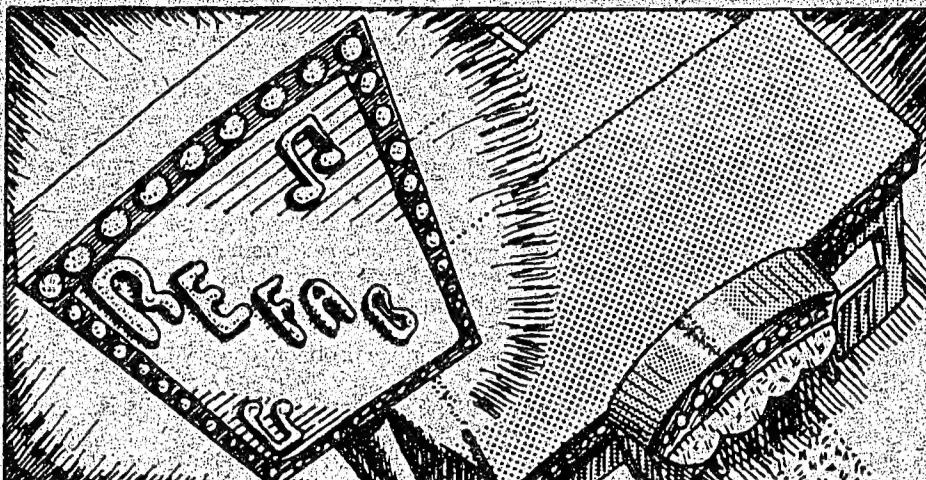
Instead of the planned building that will house the UNO and Omaha jazz concert/symphonic orchestras, the "Dancing Wallenda's" (Omaha's resident tightrope ballet troupe) and "Mimes for Satan," the REFAB will be made to have more of a nightclub-type atmosphere.

The REFAB is to be constructed by the Maurice Parmesiani Inc. of Bogus Beach, Calif. This company is responsible for constructing Omaha hot spots such as the Raunch Bowl and the Surfari Club.

"Like, this place is going to be extra bitchin,'" Parmesiani said. "Like, we're gonna have tons of laser lights and neon and bunches of middle-aged, recently divorced guys with toupees running around while an oversized stereo system is gonna blare out monotonous Disco-like tunes."

"It's gonna be gnarly, dude," he added. The architect also said included in the new structure will be a bar, dance floor, buffet area and a bowling alley.

The regents said they intend to repay the



A crappy doodle of the new REFAB building

— Li'l Jack Horn

amount of \$1.3 billion excess costs by keeping the structure open all night until 1 a.m. (4 a.m. on weekends) instigating a \$5 charge at the door.

"It's gonna be great," said the retiring Most Regal Reject Jimmy Dean Mowing. He said even though this was his last meeting with the rejects, he still applies for the REFAB membership club. "I'm looking forward to retirement, now."

"Sure it's gonna be expensive," said Reject Nanny Hack, "but the students can bear the costs."

"I tell UNO students to think of the REFAB as something REALLY FABulous," Hack said. "Not to mention Tuesday's is going to be Lady's Nite with live male strippers and drinks at half price."

Elvis reappears at UNO Art Gallery

By TOMAS RESTOF
FUN! & GOSSIP Dude

According to the National Spotlight "Elvis" has given his blessing to the current exhibit at the UNO Artsey-Fartsey Gallery.

The museum will focus on American Velvet for the month of December. This weekend will be titled "A Tribute to the King," featuring all the works of Elvis done on velvet.

The exhibit is a collection of Elvis on

velvet put together by Lou and Shlep Plushnet.

"Shlep and I have been collecting art; mostly the Elvis stuff, since we were abducted by a group of philanthropic aliens who all had a striking resemblance to the king," said Lou.

The exhibit will be supplemented by a continuous playing of the song "Blue Velvet" as sung by the king and a slide show of Plushnet brother's favorite Tijuana velvet merchants.

"We believe Tijuana is the Holiest city

in the world, next to Las Vegas," Shlep said. "We also believe that velvet artists are the Vicars of Elvis and will all have a place in rock-n-roll heaven."

The Plushnet brothers have more on their mind than just velvet.

"The aliens, who we have become buds with, have promised to bring us the painting of 'Elvis found on Mars,'" Shlep said. "We think it will be a fine addition to our collection."

This collection in the "American Velvet" series will be on display until the end of this week where it will be moved to the front lot of Sleazy Wanda's Truck Stop Haven Cafe.

But Shlep and Lou have their own theory on whether Elvis is alive or not.

"Yeah, man, he's alive. We think he's alive and doing well as a pre-law student at Cretin University," Lou said. "Where else can he find the obscurity needed to live a normal life?"

"We think Elvis has tried to contact us many times already, but we don't have a phone," Lou said.

Weekend Wired. . .

Gulag Theater promotional plug
UNO's over acting department will perform the Josef Stalin's classic *Anna Potemkin*, at 8 p.m. on Friday. The work, which is a plagiarism of works by author Leo Tolstoy and film maker Sergei Eisenstein, is about a young girl from a Russian farm who takes over a battleship and heads for Nicaragua to kick some contra ass.

The performance will be given in its full 20 hours and boasts a full replica of a battleship complete with cannon and live ammo to be fired on sleeping audience members. Later, actors will hold the audience at bay for a propaganda session. Admission for gullible students is \$3, free borscht for all.

Porn to be Wild

Author Vito Scumbaggi will be taking his talents to UNO's impoverished Writer's Workhole for a reading of his most recent works, *Casa de Lust* and

Goldilocks and the Three Linebackers on Dec. 21, in CBA Room 123. The meeting is open and free to the public. No one under 18 years of age admitted.

Moon over Poe

UNO's resident dance troupe, "The Mooning Company," will do their nude dance rendition of Edgar Allan Poe's "Fall of the House of Usher" Friday at 12 p.m. in HYPER Room 666. Tickets are \$13, black attire required.

Here's looking at you, kid.

Star Trek's DeForest "Bones" Kelly will host the Mallard-KoosKoos planetarium presentation of "The Babes of Fairaces: Fun with High Powered Telescopes" at 3 a.m. in the Dadgum Science Center. The show includes several top Peeping Toms from across the nation that will discuss techniques from binoculars to night vision goggles.

Later, the audience is invited to the rooftop to spy on some of the area's

prime cheesecake. Also included will be a talk by professor Mona Estrogen titled, "How I was able to use a series of convex lenses and mirrors to check out the men's locker room." Admission is \$57 dollars for students (\$15 of which is tax deductible).

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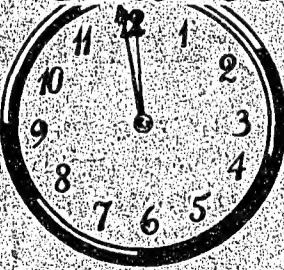


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SPITZ

New AD finalists named by Slanderson

By COOKIE JAR
Spitz Editor

Late Saturday night after UNO was drubbed by Wayne (who?) State in basketball, interim athletic Director Gary Slanderson must have went nuts.

Slanderson dropped all the candidates who applied for the AD position, and made arrangements for four new finalists.

"UNO needs the publicity," Slanderson said. "If we got a big name working in the athletic department, we would get some national coverage."

The future of the UNO athletic department was looking promising, but Slanderson believes even if these people don't really know anything about sports, their name would help, and he could continue to govern the department as a consultant.

Before Chanceless Dul Weebel could axe Slanderson, all the new finalists had been contacted and agreed to appear in front of a screening committee.

The new finalists are: Chevy Chase, actor, comedian, no experience with athletics; James Earl Jones, actor, no experience; Clint Eastwood, actor, general tough guy; and Richard Simmons, fitness bozo of the year.

Chase was reached for comment in his Malibu home. He said that he had seen the school in a secret meeting. Chase said he is aware of the position's duties and thinks he is the best applicant to fill the job.

"I like golf," Chase said. "I figure I could handle the weight and pressure of the job, but I'd have to have my own golf cart so I could scurry around keeping tabs on my teams."

Eastwood, former mayor of Carmel by the Sea, said being mayor would help him in the AD role as far as management goes.

"Leave it to me," Eastwood said. "I'll get those flabby, non-winnin' slobs to win."

When asked how he planned to achieve this goal, he could only say his trigger finger wouldn't allow comment.

Simmons, recently voted as the fitness bozo of the year for 1988, said an AD position would look just dandy on his resume.

"You know, running a sports thing is probably a lot like losing weight," Simmons said. "I've lost weight and have helped many others to lose those unsightly pounds."

Simmons elaborated on the analogy. "You know, it's not that the cheerleaders are fat, or the football team is fat, but you see a person can look anyway they want, if they believe in themselves, and I believe in the UNO's sports thing."

Jones was not available for comment. Apparently he was admitted to a plastic surgeon hoping to find a way to put a smile on his face.

Slanderson is counting dots now at an institution, but still believes his idea was a good one and Weebel just isn't contemporary.



"No, it's not a joke, I should be UNO's next AD," Chase said.



"Didn't you hear? I said, I'm your man," Eastwood said.



"I think being the AD would be fun," Jones said.



"UNO could stand to have someone like me around," Simmons said.

Volleyball coach tries new junk food diet

By COOKIE JAR
Spitz/Editor, again

UNO volleyball Coach Ferren Bueller announced recently a new diet that will be implemented for the team as soon as possible.

The first-year coach said the diet will help her acceptance with her players as women.

"Hey, we're all women and we like to eat just as much as the football team," Bueller said.

But this diet isn't normal. Bueller proposes to let the women eat, stuff and gorge themselves with any kind of junk food they want. There is one catch, though. They can only eat one meal a day, unless they get special permission to eat again.

"Don't you think I don't know that this diet is not nutritional? But no one likes a strict coach, and they will like me," Bueller said. "Next year, I hope more girls will go out for the team."

Bueller said even she will adhere to the diet, because she never set a time limit to the one meal a day rule.

"I really like hot dogs, but they don't like me, whoah. Really though, now I can eat them whenever and for as long as I like," Bueller said.

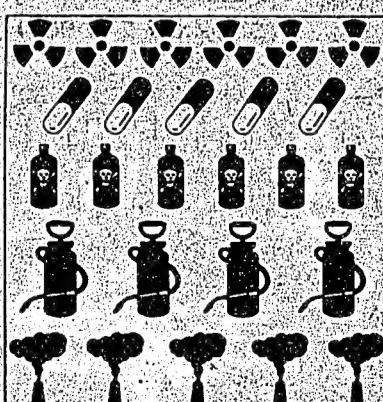
"Sure I want to be competitive, but the girls have to be happy before they even think about being competitive," she said.

"Hey, I figure if we're gonna have Chevy Chase for an athletic director, we might as well have a smelly field house," Chanceless Dul Weebel said.



UNO volleyball Coach Ferren Bueller enjoys an item on her own, and soon to be team's, diet. (Would a bubble have been better? D.W.)

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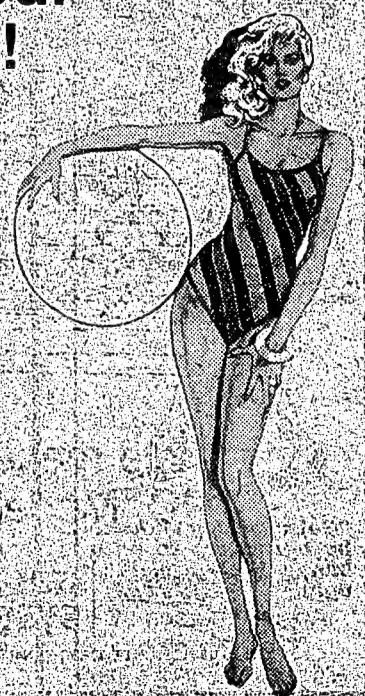
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Med Center receives funding for garage, health care

LINCOLN — The Board of Regents Saturday approved a revised needs statement for a \$41.7 million health care project and a \$6.1 million parking structure for the Medical Center.

In September 1987, the board approved an initial needs statement for a health care complex. Since then, pre-design of the project has changed and has been enlarged. Initially including a parking struc-

ture, the health care project and parking structure were presented to the board as separate projects.

A trend toward more outpatient services, the need for better facilities and inflation are responsible for the increased cost, UNMC Chancellor Charles Andrews said.

The parking structure would replace a 274-stall surface lot with a 750-stall parking structure. More than 500 stalls would be for patients and visitors, the remaining 200 for employees.

The revised health care project contains clinic space, operating rooms, loading

docks and storage, office space and an enclosed walkway connection to the proposed parking structure.

Andrews said the projects would not be funded with tax dollars, but revenue bonds and income from patients. If approved, the bond will require a 1.5 percent increase per year in patient costs. Funding for the parking structure bond would be supplemented by parking fees.

Andrews said the improvements to UNMC are necessary to help keep it competitive in health care training. He said the state needs adequate facilities for training health care professionals.

Regents deadlock over Kearney

LINCOLN — Several NU officials said they were caught off guard Saturday by a resolution supporting the addition of Kearney State College to the University of Nebraska system.

The resolution, which was introduced by outgoing Regent Robert Koefoot, stated a need for the NU system to provide "convenient access" to undergraduate degree programs for students from western and central Nebraska. It also stated support for the Legislature to rename the college the University of Nebraska at Kearney.

Koefoot's motion, which was not listed on the meeting's agenda, failed as regents

deadlocked in a 4-4 tie.

"I don't think this is the time or the place," Regent Don Blank said. "I just think its timing is inappropriate."

State Sens. Jerome Warner and Lorraine Lang have said they plan to introduce a bill to make Kearney State a part of NU during the next legislative session, which begins Jan. 4.

Omaha Regent James Moylan said regents needed to act quickly to signal their approval of the bill to the Legislature. "It's a matter of acting now or reacting later," he said.

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getting a real job," she said. "It didn't seem like a real job, it was too fun." It was the best job in the city, she said. "I met my husband there, I got a free massage, met a psychic and met celebrities."

Not many journalistic opportunities exist in Omaha, she said.

"I was really lucky the job came along when I was out of school," she said. Sanchez is considering other employment, but, "my heart is at the Metropolitan."

Boyd has made an offer to buy the paper from Lee, but no agreement has been made. Boyd said he is optimistic about buying the paper or rejoining the staff.

"Lynn (Sanchez) and I made the Metropolitan what it is today," he said.

Sanchez said when she would call people for interviews they were usually receptive.

"This speaks to how good our paper was," she said. "It's not the best in the world, but we were off to a good start."

The progress of the paper was hindered, she said, by money problems.

Boyd said the advertising at the paper is not what it should be. He said management made the overhead more than it should have been, and that cut into profits from advertising.

It was frustrating, Sanchez said, to keep free-lance contributions to a minimum and to do stories concerning advertisers as she was directed by the publisher. It was "a never-ending dilemma."

"I got good writers who were interested in an alternate newspaper," she said. She expects the attitude of the Metropolitan to become more conservative.

Boyd has said he may start a newspaper of his own. Sanchez said she would work for Boyd again if the chance arose.

"Having it pulled out from under us is really sad," she said.

Sanchez received a bachelor of science in journalism from UNO in May 1986.

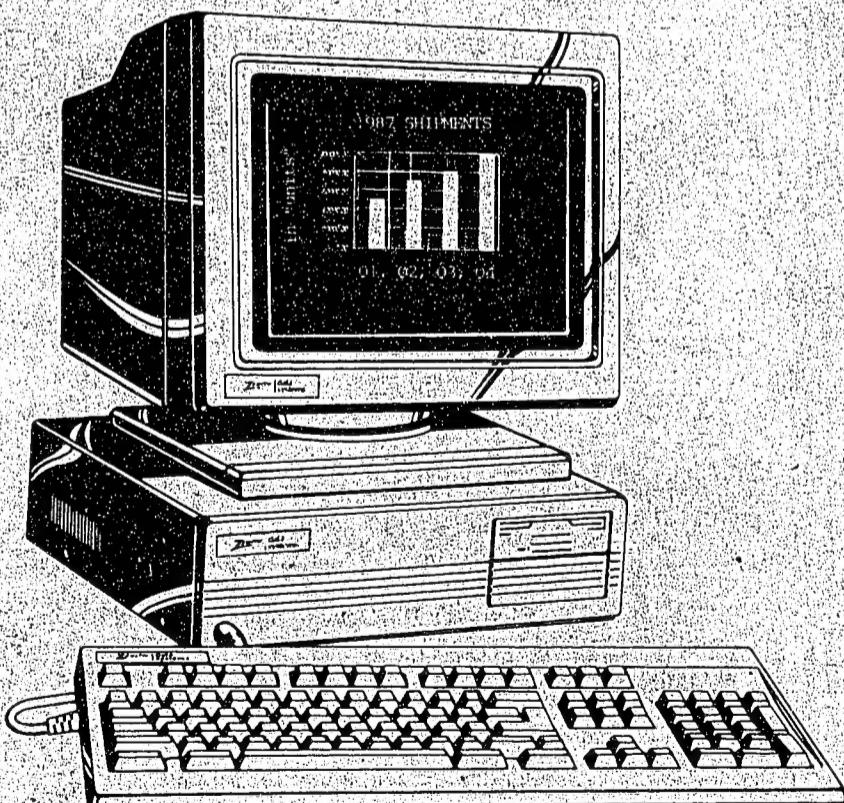
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Study predicts bleak future for poorly educated

(CPS) — People who don't go to college are treated as failures and don't get much help starting careers and families, the Commission on Youth and America's Future has concluded.

In a November 17 report, the 19-member commission — headed by former U.S. Commissioner of Education Harold Howe II — said 16-to-24-year-olds who don't go to college "are far more constrained (in getting good jobs) than were their peers of 15 years ago."

"Too often we think of the forgotten half as failures, as second-rate, simply because

they do not attend college," Howe said.

His study found they are chasing fewer "jobs without a future," while real earnings are declining faster and unemployment is more likely during their working lives. Marriage, the study added, is often postponed because of financial pressures.

The commission suggested strengthening existing programs like Head Start and the Job Corps would help the 20 million people it studied, recommending a \$5 billion a year increase in federal funding for such programs.

It found kids bound for college typically

receive public and private subsidies of \$5,000 per school year through scholarships, loans and grants, while only about 5 percent of "the forgotten half" get any federal job training help, which totals only \$1,800-\$2,300 during a four-month period.

Daniel Yankelovich, a commission mem-

ber and president of The Yankelovich Group in New York, said the study uncovered "a festering problem that looks like it's going to get worse and that merits the country's attention in a way that is almost impossible to exaggerate. The 1990s, if something isn't done about this, will result in a tremendous amount of social unrest."



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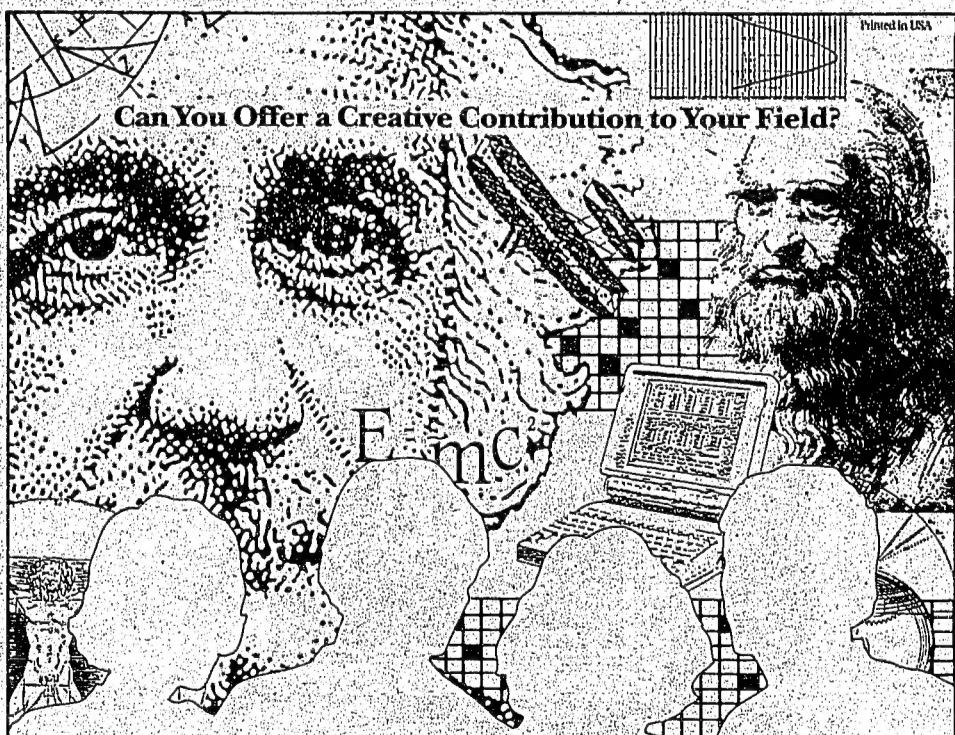
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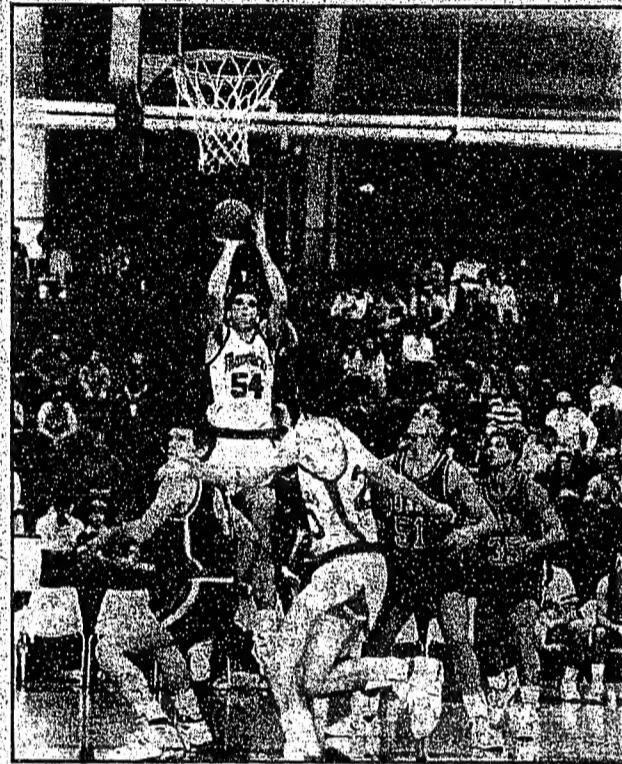
Saturday night the men's basketball team towered over Doane for a 73-58 win.

The Maverick front-line yanked 48 rebounds to Doane's 33, swatted six shots and out scored the inside oriented Tiger team by 10.

Although guard Thor Palamore led in scoring with 20, every Maverick front-liner contributed, which pleased UNO Coach Bob Hanson, now with a 3-2 record.

"We rebounded a lot better tonight than we did last week against Wayne," Hanson said. "It's a big improvement."

UNO's inside game woke up after Tiger center Jim Mather slapped the Mavs with 7 straight seven points to open the game. Fortunately, UNO had already scored 16 and opened up a 24-13 lead mid way in the first half.



Senior center Tim Adamek returned from a hamstring injury to score 11 points against Doane Saturday night.

Minutes before halftime, Doane came back with a 13-6 run. A Dan Olson dunk and a Troy Deane block shot turned back the momentum for UNO, taking a 34-28 lead at half.

The Mavs kept a six to seven point lead for most of the second half, behind the dominance of UNO's inside game.

With the lead, Hanson said he had the opportunity to experiment with different player combinations. He played Palamore at the point resting freshman starter Mike Harner and gave 6-foot-10 freshman Phil Cartwright 12 minutes playing time.

Besides playing different combinations, Hanson also had a chance to play Milton Shobe and Tim Adamek, both of whom are coming off from injuries.

Ailed from a pulled hamstring, Adamek returned scoring 11 and snagging five boards.

"He played good, with only having two days of practice," Hanson said. "But he got tired."

Shobe returned after reinjuring a knee problem in the opener against Bellevue. Shobe nailed a three-pointer, handed one assist and tore down one rebound in four

minutes of action.

"I was really happy with Olson's game, he rebounded and took it to the hole," Hanson said.

The 6-foot-6 junior forward scored 19 points and led the Mavs with nine rebounds.

Doane Coach Bob Erickson, now at 0-3, said his team ruined their chance of capitalizing on a three point deficit late in the game, by not executing.

Erickson also said UNO played physical and the officiating obliged the home team.

"If we played them at our place I'd be willing to wager there would have been a different outcome."

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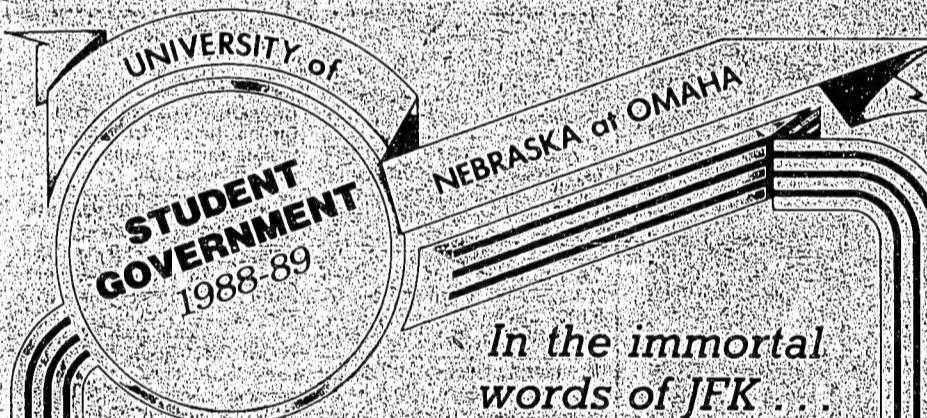
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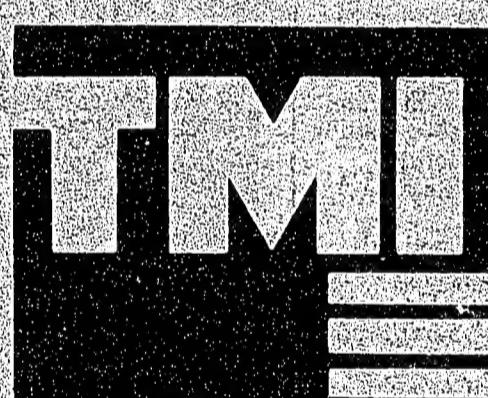
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Lack of donors cause UNMC doctors to use liver-splitting technique

By JULIE CONDON
Staff Reporter

A medical procedure which has only occurred three previous times in the world was successfully performed at the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) within the last month.

Surgeons split one donor liver and transplanted the parts into two patients. A toddler and an infant received the transplants. At the request of the families, the names and ages of the recipients, and the exact date of surgery, were not released to the media.

The liver transplant team at UNMC is directed by Dr. Byers Shaw. Dr. R. Patrick Wood and Dr. Robert Stratta are the two additional surgeons on the team.

Wood explained that the procedure "is possible when you have two patients and one is much smaller than the other one."

"From an operative standpoint, I think it went very well," Wood said. The infant is currently in critical condition, and the toddler is listed in good condition.

Transplanting parts of one liver into two patients first occurred in West Germany in February of this year. Similar transplants took place in France and at the University of Chicago.

Wood and Shaw both agreed this type of procedure points out the problem of a shortage of donor livers.

"Both of these children had only a few days to live

without a liver transplant," Shaw said. "When we were unable to locate suitable donor organs for them, we had no choice but to take a larger donor liver, split it and make it work for both patients."

"We would prefer to put whole organs in patients," Wood said.

Forty-six names are on the UNMC list of people in need of liver transplants.

"I'm sure there are more organs (livers) out there

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— Dr. Byers Shaw, UNMC

than we are getting," Wood said. "It's a matter of educating people."

Wood estimates 120 liver transplants will occur at UNMC during the upcoming calendar year, with two-thirds of the recipients being children. The liver transplant program at UNMC is one of the three most active in the country. Since July of 1985, 252 transplants have been performed at UNMC.

Wood said the splitting of one liver for two patients will most likely be performed again in the future.

"It probably can and should happen where a patient will die without the transplant," Wood said.

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